Peacock who shot down a citizen of

a fair trial and physicians were sum-

moned and testified to his sanity before

a jury that found him guilty. From

the circuit court the cause was trans-

ferred to the chief executive and the

governor summoned some physicians in

the employ of the state and perhaps

the governor decided the accused was

a degenerate and should not be put to

death. The executive department there

fore set aside the judgment of the court

notwithstanding a protest from the

states attorney and the people of the

community where the crime was com-

mitted. In a statement to the public

explanatory of his action the governor set out the fact that striking irregu-

larities in the rotundity of the mur-

derers body were discovered and cogniz

ance was not taken of these defects by

the court. As described by the gov

ernor. Peacock is a miserable deform-

ity sent into the world before his time,

scarce half made up, a modern counter-

part of the popular conception of

Shakespeare's King Richard III. By

measurement it was found to be as far

from a point on this condemed mur-

derer's breast back to his shoulders as

from his shoulders down to his hips,

Then it was found the head did not fit

properly on the shoulders. But lack of

combiness did not stay his murderous hand nor convince the Polk county

court that he should be exempt from

the operations of the law. By a jury of

twelve he was found guilty of murder

in the first degree and by petition the

people acquainted with the circumstan-

decree be carried out, but the governor

set uside the judgment and turned

to sew seeds of 'ynch law in the minds

the penitentiary by Governor Chamber-

lain, but other governors will fill the executive chair, and Peacock, with his

nose pressed against the bars of his

cell and gazing into space may excite

the over-compassionate nature of an-

other executive on his rounds of prison

the people of Polk county will again

considerations that lead to a commu-

tation of sentence, would move a Pen-

noyer to give Peacock his freedom.

With the crime of Peacock, and a dem-

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#### LYNCHING AND PARDONS

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ed from the executive department of

dicial departments. The legislature, it addressed to the legislative and judimay be conceded that the course of fered with the sentence of the court legal procedure needs amendment. It and prevented the hanging of young

Contagious Blood Poison is so

tainted with the poison, and the

general breaking down of the system.

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and eruptions, weak eyes, Catarrh, and other evidences of poisoned blood

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person afflicted with this miserable disease. There is danger even in drinking from the same vessel or eating out of the same tableware, as many pure

and innocent men and women have found to their sorrow. The virus of

powerful and penetrating that BLOOD POISON IS NO within a short time after the

first little sore appears the whole system is infected and every RESPECTER OF PERSONS

skin is soon covered with a red rash, ulcers break out in the mouth and

throat, swellings appear in the groins, the hair and eyebrows fall out, and unless the ravages of the disease are checked at this stage, more

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by a number of state governors, asked might be well if the legislature would newspapers, preachers and teachers to provide that courts be held more fretake up the subject of lynching and de- quently, or continuously; and that less nounce it, there has been a terrible in- time be required to clapse between a veighing against the crime. The public judgment and its execution particularly mind has been thoroughly refreshed in cases of capital punishment. It may on the subject of lynching. Writers be admitted that technicalities someand speakers took their cue. Columns times stand in the way of justice and and sermons delivered on the subject delays in criminal trials. But these Anyone who does not know that in this are not the only nor principal means of country we lynch people, is convicted | cheating the gallows of its victim, peniwould be hazardous to say that Judge may come between the criminal and

Through the pardon of governors

the torch upon sufficient provocation. rapists, thieves, thugs and cut-throats infest the country. The pardon record of law abiding people. The expense of crusade against lynching has been al- of the governors of the forty-five states together successful. There is as yet | for the past ten years opened to public no convincing evidence the evil is gaze would be appailing and one would who bore the expense are left without stamped out. In fact the course of | be left to ask if there be anyone left | procedure adopted may be considered in the penitentiaries. Pardoning power are entitled. an innovation and its efficacy may be abused is an evil concomitant with lynching and executives however vefrain from crime has never been ef- hemently they may denounce lynching fectual. The only result of the crusade must accept responsibility for the so far discernible is the attracting of grinding of the pardon mills. For exgeneral attention to the growing tend- ample of abuse of the pardoning power ency to lynching, which, all agree, is a one need not go outside of Oregon. The serious menace to the government itself late Gvernor Pennoyer was the record The cause is yet to be agreed upon, the | maker for the state. During his term the prison gates swung outward and The alarm, it is to be noted, is sound- the rate at which convicts were released through his misplaced sympagovernment. The president and gover | thy was alarming. Many of Pennoyers nors speak as individuals but their ut- pardoned criminals were sent back to terances cannot be stripped of official the penitentiary before his term exsignificance and must be treated ac- pired. Governor Lord, his successor, pardoned fewer during the first two It is strongly binted by the president | year of his term, but towards the lat- | had expected through legal procedure. It and governors that the remedy lies ter end the flood gates were opened. in a reform in the co-ordinate branches | Governor Geer used the pardoning pow, ecutive department of the state if the of government, the legislative and ju- er more sparingly than either Pennoy next murderer who starts into killing er or Lord. Governor Chamberlain has off Polk county citizens is strung up, ing the legal procedure nearer the months and his record, considering his standard of perfection and the applica- contact with criminal life as prosecut- from the shoulders down to the tendons tion of these laws should be freed from ling attorney is not what might be exevery vestige of technicality and delay. poeted. The cure for lynching the govcrime of rape and yet one of Governor

of his heels.

It is not necessary for the governor

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or JAS. A. CLOCK. Milwaukee. W This lecture from the executive and ernor said, lies in refraining from the ofOregon to go to one of the Gulf states cial departments is reactive and brings. Chamberlains first official acts, if mem- the executives, state and federal look to the front the question of the duty of ory serves us right, was the pardoning to the courts for a remedy until the exthe executives federal and state. It of a rapist, More recently he inter- ecutive officers are ready to co-operate the Illinois Central will sell round trip in meting out justice to criminals.

negroes in the south. Negroes are lynched in the south because it is there they live in great numbers and it is liges either way, west of the Missouri there they terrorize with their inhuman river. Sale dates are arranged to be crimes. Since the days of slavery the convenient for delegates to conventions lynching bees in the south and these at Indianapolis; Eagles at New York; unspeakable crimes have much to do Shriners at Saratoga; Knights of Pythwith the anti-negro feeling and it is a las at Louisville and Commercial Travfeeling that cannot safely be ignored elers at Indianapolis. You can take Milwaukee & St. Paul Rallway, known in appointing negroes to federal po- your choice of 16 different routes. sitions. The president has not recog. Write us. We will cheerfully give you ed in making his appointments from among the negro race and, while it probably cannot be said that any lynch ings are directly traceable to his appointments, they have intensified thefeel ing against the negro in many places thus promoting the crime he would now Through Salt Lake City, Leadville stop through public appeal. Thehonesty of purpose on the part of the prresident and governors in their endeavor to check the growth of lynching, none will question, but it will require their cooperation along lines of official duty to put it down.

Though the spring season was late attended by rains, the outlook for good crops is good. Grain and fruit in the Williamette valley look well and if rain at picking time does not interfere a good crop of hops will be saved. In southern Oregon, the peach crop is reported somewhat short on account of late frosts but other fruits, grain and hay promise a fair yield. In castern Oregon grain is turning out fairly well and is commanding a good price. Live stock-men of the state are prosperous and have money to loan. The prune crop of the state is expected to go beyond all previous yields. A fairly good run of salmon has been saved from the Columbia. The dairy interests of

are going up in the timber regions. and lumber is commanding a good price Polk county. Peacock had counsel and The mines of southern and castern Oregon are attracting outside capital and activity is rife throughout the mining sections. The state of Oregon is out of debt and coffers of local banks are well filled with deposits. On the whole, Oregon has no complaint to make nor any particular concern in Wall street turmotls.

> The Oregon delegation thinks J. W. Knowles the proper man for register of the Land office at LaGrande. The president thinks E. W. Davis the man. And there you are.

(Albany Herald.) The selling mark for Oregon chittim bark has in former years been in the home market from \$40 to \$50 a ton, early this fall it went up to \$50 to 250 or 4 to 41-2 cents a pound. During the last week, however the price of bark is booming. It has been a strenuous time for both buyers and sellers and the end is not yet. There is much man euvering and sparring for a lyantage ong all parties interested, and it difficult to state the exact situation.

(Tillamook Headlight.)

It looks as though the timber syndicates are becoming, not only neverted n the improvement of Tillamook bar. but in the railroad projects that are now under consideration. This is not surprising for give Tillamook the facilities to lead lumber on cars or on large lamber carriers, the large timber owners in this county are perfectly aware that their holdings will double in value.

(Toledo, Lincoln Co., Raporter.) Preparations are being made for one of the best fairs ever hald in the county It is expected that the exhibits-horticultural, agricultural and stock will be of a higher grade than heretofore. For se who want something by way of diversions, amusements will be funished among which will be a regular old time Indian war dance in war dress

(Polk County Observer)

The rains of Monday and Tuesday a costly trial, counted for naught with did very little damage in the hop yards the pardoning power, and the people around Dallas and should be present warm dry weather continue, a fine crop will be harvested. Hops in western the security, to which by law, they Polk county are of excellent quality, and an average yield is promised. Peacock will hardly be released from

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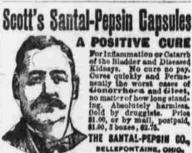
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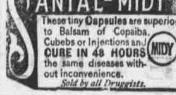
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